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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST--28 MARCH 1964

1. INDONESIA-MALAYSIA:

A. SUKARNO QUITE OBVIOUSLY INTENDS TO CONTINUE THE INFILTRATION OF NEW GUERRILLAS, SABOTEURS AND SUBVERSIVES INTO MALAYSIA. [REDACTED]

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B. [REDACTED]

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SUKARNO HAS NEVER DEVIATED, DESPITE SUCH TACTICAL DIVERSIONS AS THE "CEASE-FIRE" AGREEMENT IN JANUARY, FROM HIS GOAL OF DISMEMBERING MALAYSIA AND TOPPLING RAHMAN.

C. IN THE TWO MONTHS SINCE HE ACCEPTED THE CEASE-FIRE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE NUMBER OF GUERRILLAS SENT INTO MALAYSIAN BORNEO HAS TRIPLED [REDACTED]

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D. IN RECENT WEEKS SOME GUERRILLAS HAVE COME OUT AGAIN, LARGELY BECAUSE OF FOOD SHORTAGES AND MALAYSIAN SECURITY FORCES. [REDACTED]

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F. SUKARNO WAS GREATLY ANGERED BY THE FAILURE OF THE TERRORISTS HE DISPATCHED TO SINGAPORE AND PENINSULAR MALAYSIA.

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2. CYPRUS:

A. NO UNTOWARD INCIDENTS MARRED THE OFFICIAL TAKEOVER YESTERDAY BY GENERAL GYANI AND THE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE.

B. CANADIAN TROOPERS HAVE DISPLACED THE BRITISH IN A NICOSIA SUBURB AND THIS MORNING ARE MOVING OUT TOWARD KYRENIA. THERE COULD BE TROUBLE IN THIS AREA, WHERE THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS HAVE BEEN BUILDING A LIGHT AIR STRIP WHICH THE GREEK CYPRIOTS SWEAR THEY WILL REMOVE.

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E. WE HEAR ALSO THAT MAKARIOS HAS REFUSED TO LET VICE PRESIDENT KUCHUK AND THREE TURKISH CYPRIOT MINISTERS RETURN TO THE GOVERNMENT. SINCE HE NOW CALLS THESE AND OTHER TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADERS "REBELS," HE MAY HAVE SOME SORT OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS IN MIND FOR THEM, A STEP WHICH CAN SCARCELY BRING THE TWO COMMUNITIES CLOSER TOGETHER.

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3. SOUTH KOREA:

A. STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS SPILLED OVER INTO THEIR FIFTH DAY AMID SOME SIGNS THAT THEY ARE BEGINNING TO PETER OUT.

B. IF SO, THIS WOULD BE A VICTORY FOR THE SOFT TACTICS PURSUED BY THE PAK GOVERNMENT, ESPECIALLY IF IT CAN KEEP THE TALKS WITH JAPAN GOING.

C. PAK, HOWEVER, IS NOT YET COUNTING HIS CHICKENS. THE RETURN TODAY OF KIM CHONG-PIL COULD PROVIDE THE RALLYING POINT FOR OPPOSITIONISTS TO GET THE DEMONSTRATIONS GOING AGAIN. KIM HAS BEEN TAKING A LEADING ROLE IN THE TOKYO TALKS AND WAS A PARTICULAR TARGET OF THE STUDENTS.

D. THERE IS CONCERN IN JAPAN LEST SIMILAR DEMONSTRATIONS BE TOUCHED OFF THERE.

4. BRAZIL:

A. NAVY AND MARINE ENLISTED MEN WHO CONDUCTED A TWO-DAY SIT-IN STRIKE IN DOWNTOWN RIO WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON BY ARMY UNITS.

B. BY EVENING, HOWEVER, THEY HAD BEEN RELEASED AND RETURNED TO THEIR UNITS. BOTH THE ARMY INTERVENTION AND THE STRIKERS' RELEASE WERE APPARENTLY UNDERTAKEN WITH GOULART'S ACQUIESCENCE.

C. THIS REMOVES FOR THE EASTER WEEKEND THE MOST IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF TENSION, BUT THE SITUATION IS STILL MOST FRAGILE.

D. THE RIGHT AND LEFT IN BRAZILIAN POLITICS ARE POLARIZING

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GOULART AND HIS CHAMPIONS ON THE LEFT ARE INTENT ON USING THE PRESIDENT'S "REFORM" CAMPAIGN TO GAIN GREATER POWER.

E. FURTHER EXPROPRIATIONS OF PRIVATE PROPERTY ARE IN THE CARDS. A SUBSIDIARY OF THE BIG US-OWNED POWER COMPANY MAY BE THE NEXT TO GO. LAND-HUNGRY PEASANTS IN THE POVERTY-STRICKEN NORTHEAST, DOUBTLESS ENCOURAGED BY THE LEFTIST STATE ADMINISTRATION, ARE BEGINNING TO SEIZE PRIVATE LAND.

F. AT THE SAME TIME OPPOSITION TO GOULART, THOUGH STILL BADLY DIVIDED, IS APPARENTLY BEGINNING TO COALESCE ON THE RIGHT AND CENTER. FIVE GOVERNORS HAVE BANDED TOGETHER TO STOP GOULART.

G. [REDACTED] THEY MAY MAKE COMMON CAUSE WITH A GROUP OF MILITARY LEADERS [REDACTED] WHO WE THINK ARE READY TO ACT IF GOULART MAKES ANY EXTRALEGAL MOVE.

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H. THE MOST IMMEDIATE DANGER IN THE COMPLICATED GAME OF PROBING FOR POWER GOULART IS PLAYING IS THAT, FACED WITH ANOTHER INCIDENT LIKE THE NAVAL MILITARY, HE WILL MISCALCULATE THE FIRMNESS OF HIS OPPOSITION OR LOSE CONTROL OF THE SITUATION. EITHER COULD THROW BRAZIL INTO CIVIL WAR.

5. NOTES:

A. USSR: [REDACTED]

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B. HAITI - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: [REDACTED]

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C. CONGO: UN FORCES ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN LEAVING KATANGA IN MID-APRIL AND TO BE CLEAR OF THE AREA BY JUNE, A MONTH EARLIER THAN PREVIOUSLY PLANNED. THE ABILITY OF THE CONGOLESE ARMY TO DEAL WITH ENSUING DISTURBANCES, QUESTIONABLE AT BEST, HAS BEEN FURTHER ERODED BY THE NEW DEMANDS PLACED ON IT BY UNREST IN KWILU, NEIGHBORING LAC LEOPOLD II PROVINCE, IN EASTERN KIVU, AND ALONG THE SUDANESE FRONTIER.

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D. JORDAN [REDACTED]

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E. MEXICO-FRANCE: [REDACTED]

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DE GAULLE HAS INVITED DIAZ ORDAZ, WHO WILL BE MEXICO'S NEXT PRESIDENT, TO VISIT FRANCE AS SOON AFTER HIS 1 DECEMBER INAUGURATION AS FEASIBLE.

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F. ADEN-YEMEN: [REDACTED]

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G. CAMBODIA: SIHANOUK NOW WANTS A NINE-NATION CONFERENCE IN GENEVA, SIMILAR TO THE 1954 MEETING ON INDOCHINA, INSTEAD OF A REPEAT OF THE 14-NATION LAOTIAN CONFERENCE. THIS WOULD EXCLUDE THAILAND, BURMA, INDIA, POLAND, AND CANADA.

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